AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

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SUBSTITUTE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a drive guide apparatus capable of ensuring an increased lifetime by preventing heat generated from a primary side of a linear motor from being transferred to a rail or a moving member of a guide mechanism to which the primary side of the linear motor is connected, thereby preventing variation of rolling resistance or sliding resistance of the guide mechanism. The drive guide apparatus has a linear motor [[10]] and a guide mechanism [[14]] that has a rail [[18]] and a moving member (moving block 15) provided to be movable relative to the rail[[18]]. A primary side [[11-]] of the linear motor [[10-]] is connected to the rail-18 or the moving member (moving block 15) of the guide mechanism 14. Thermal insulating means (thermal-insulators 19 and recess 20) for blocking heat generated from the primary side [[11-]] of the linear motor 10 isare provided between the primary side [[11-]] and the rail 18 or the moving member (moving block 15) of the guide mechanism to which the primary side [[11-]] is connected directly or indirectly.